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## **NOBLESVILLE MAN CHARGED WITH DEFRAUDING HIS EMPLOYER AND FILING FALSE TAX RETURNS**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

INDIANAPOLIS - Joseph H. Hogsett, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced today that Jimmy W. Burleson, 64, Noblesville, Ind., was charged with wire fraud and making false tax returns announced Joseph H. Hogsett, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Indiana. The charges follow an investigation by the United States Secret Service, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department.

The charging document alleges that Burleson devised a scheme to defraud by using the checking accounts of his employer, an Indianapolis industrial company, to pay his own credit card bills. According to the charge, between June 15, 2005, and December 15, 2009, Burleson allegedly defrauded his employer in the amount of \$760,405. Burleson purportedly then filed tax returns for the years 2006 through 2009 which did not include this income, resulting in a tax loss to the government of \$111,907.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney James M. Warden, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Burleson faces a maximum of 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine on the fraud charges and a maximum of 3 years on each of the tax charges. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis.

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